



Handwritten notes: *AF*, *ZZW*, *3761*, and a signature.

Appl. No.	§	09/807,403	Confirmation No.: 9206
Applicant:	§	HUNT, Kenneth W., et al	
Filed:	§	July 2, 2001	
Title:	§	NEGATIVE PRESSURE USING WALL SUCTION	
Group Art Unit:	§	3761	
TC	§	3700	
Examiner:	§	TRUONG, Linh T.	
Docket No.:	§	VAC.705.US	

Mail Stop Appeal Brief – Patents
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**SUBMISSION OF APPELLANTS' AMENDED APPEAL BRIEF
IN RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF**

Sir:

Submitted herewith is:

1. Transmittal Form
2. Fee Transmittal Form (in duplicate for accounting purposes);
3. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief;
4. Appellants' Amended Appeal Brief (in triplicate);
5. Claims Appendix 3 pages (in triplicate);
6. Appellants' Evidence Appendix (6 exhibits) in triplicate; and
7. Self-Addressed itemized postcard to be returned upon receipt.

As set forth in the accompanying fee transmittal form (duplicate copy enclosed), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee, that may be required for the continued pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 500326.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Mason

Robert W. Mason
Reg. No. 42,848
8023 Vantage Drive, Ste. 540
San Antonio, Texas 78230
Telephone: 210 255 6271
Facsimile: 210 255 6969
E-mail: masonrw@kci1.com

**TRANSMITTAL
FORM**

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

408

Application Number

09/807,403

Filing Date

2 July 2001

First Named Inventor

HUNT, Kenneth, et al

Art Unit

3761

Examiner Name

TRUONG, Linh T.

Attorney Docket Number

VAC.705.US

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)

Fee Transmittal Form



Fee Attached



Amendment/Reply



After Final



Affidavits/declaration(s)



Extension of Time Request



Express Abandonment Request



Information Disclosure Statement



Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

Reply to Missing Parts/
Incomplete ApplicationReply to Missing Parts
under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53

Drawing(s)



Licensing-related Papers



Petition

Petition to Convert to a
Provisional Application

Power of Attorney, Revocation



Change of Correspondence Address



Terminal Disclaimer



Request for Refund



CD, Number of CD(s) _____

☐ Landscape Table on CD

Remarks



After Allowance Communication to TC

Appeal Communication to Board
of Appeals and InterferencesAppeal Communication to TC
(Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)

Proprietary Information



Status Letter

Other Enclosure(s) (please identify
below):

Cover letter

Claim Appendix (in triplicate)

Evidence Appendix (6 exhibits) in triplicate;
and

Return Acknowledgement Postcard

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm Name

Kinetic Concepts, Inc.

Signature

Printed name

Robert W. Mason

Date

17 August 2005

Reg. No.

42,848

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below:

Signature

Typed or printed name

Robert W. Mason

Date

17 August 2005

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.